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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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THUNBERG et al.

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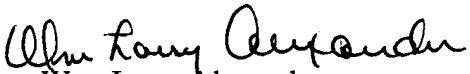
The processing and retention fee is submitted for Patent Application Serial No. 10/686,182, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.21(l) and 1.53(d). A Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted, dated January 16, 2004, was sent to Applicant's attorney.

A response was due by March 16, 2004 with the option of obtaining an extension of time under 35 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). A continuation-in-part application with Attorney Docket No. 3283.03US03 is being filed simultaneously with the payment of the retention fee also to be filed herewith.

A check in the amount of \$260.00 is enclosed to cover the \$130.00 surcharge and the \$130.00 retention fee specified by 37 C.F.R. § 1.21(l). Applicant is **not** entitled to small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 16-0631 for any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 178(a)(1)(iii), upon receipt by the PTO of the enclosed fees, the continuation-in-part application 3283.03US03 is to be accorded priority under the parent application 10/686,182 to the original filing date of August 25, 2003, the filing date of Provisional Application No. 60/497,585 which a parent application claims the benefit of, to the extent allowed under 35 U.S.C. § 120, and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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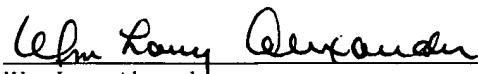
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